

# Sylvester Primary Academy

## Early Years Newsletter

Summer Term- 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024



### Nursery Class

This week in Nursery we have been learning about 'sequencing', putting pictures and objects in the correct order. We have sequenced numbers, Incy Wincy Spider nursery rhyme cards and the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar.

On Monday our older children started the RWI phonics programme and we have looked at m, a, s, d and t. To help us learn and remember these sounds we have made dinosaur prints (d) and play dough snakes (s), had apples for snack (a), drew mountains as part of our mark making activities (m) and built tall towers (t).

We have continued to observe our class caterpillars. They are growing, getting bigger and longer each day. We are hoping to see some cocoons soon!

Here are some links to RWI programmes on You Tube:

How to say the sounds (for parents): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkXcabDUg7Q&t=2s>

Geraldine giraffe (m): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xh6Ux5D2D84&t=66s>

Home Activity: Can you find items at home which have our sounds in them?

### Reception Class

This week in reception we have continued to read the book 'Look Up'. We have found out all about Space including learning about shooting stars, Gravity and even Meteor Showers! We have explored lots of new vocabulary relating to this book and added this to our working wall so that we can refer to it again. In Maths we have continued looking at numbers beyond 10 and used our knowledge of this to 'estimate' how many of each item is in the jar.

Why not try some of these games at home to support their learning:

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources> Reading Practice

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=37&AgeGroup=1> Shape and Number Games

### Key Dates:

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April- Nursery Class Stay and Play (Letters have already been sent out).

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May- Bank Holiday, school is closed.

### Reminders:

Our after school club is always really popular, if you are putting children into after school can you please make sure that the school office know by 10am. This allows time to organise how many staff are needed depending on the ratio of children.

As (hopefully) the weather improves the children can wear the Summer version of our school uniform. This can include grey school shorts or a blue summer dress. Just a note on footwear, sandals are not appropriate for school. They do not provide enough protection for children climbing or riding a bike etc.

Just a reminder no nut products to be brought into school this includes Nutella products.